

Chill an Incompetent Umpire, Declares Chance of the Yankees

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Leader of New York Yankees Says Arbitrator Is Too Small to Work Behind Plate.

JOE BOEHLING TO PITCH

By CHARLES W. SWAN.

Frank Chance, manager of the Yankees, is another big league hot who declares that Ollie Chill, the umpire, is incompetent and should not be allowed to handle the indicator in the American League.

"What do you think of Chill?" Chance was asked last night.

"I think he's incompetent," replied the Peoria leader. "I think he is absolutely fair, but that he is too small to work behind the plate and give fair decisions on balls and strikes. What chance has he to see a ball cross the plate with 125 Sweeney catching? Why, Sweeney stands three feet above him, and the only chance Chill would have to see a ball cross the plate would be for him to stand on a soap box."

"Jack Sheridan has been in the game a long time. I think he knows as much about the rules of the game as any other umpire in the business. I have no idea to make on Sheridan, but I do maintain that Chill is incompetent."

"I only hope we do not get Chill here, but it would be just our luck. I can sympathize with Griff in his trouble, and while I don't think he is right in forcing the game, I do believe that he had good grounds on which to protest the game. He should have played the game under protest."

Joe Boehling or Joe Engel will toe the slab today for the Griffins, with the former as the more likely starter. Both have been going good of late, although the Athletics beat him Friday, when he grooved a ball for Schang in the tenth inning.

If the local fans will stay off Joe Engel, the youngster will pitch much better ball. In Philadelphia Engel was going good when he began calling balls on him, and with encouragement, instead of knocks, Joe will prove a winner.

Either Ray Keating or Ray Caldwell will work on the mound for the Chances today, if the field is in fit condition. Keating is the choice, and of course, he has always been a hard pitcher for the Nationals to beat, a pitcher's battle will more than likely be seen.

Chick Gandil will probably be notified this morning that he is suspended by Ban Johnson for his alleged throwing of a ball at Chill in Quakerstown Saturday. With Gandil out, Walt Smith will get a chance to break into the line up.

Mel Gallia, former National, is leading the pitchers in the American Association. Gallia has won eight games and lost one for the Kansas City Club.

The following statement was received from President David L. Polk, of the Players Fraternity:

"The report published in a New York newspaper on June 26 to the effect that after securing for the players certain concessions from organized baseball magnates I was employed by Mr. Gilmore to draft the Federal League contract is without foundation."

"I have never been employed or retained in any capacity by Mr. Gilmore or any one else connected with the Federal League."

"The Federal contract was submitted to me as president of the Baseball Players Fraternity for approval. Several clauses were not satisfactory, and I so stated. Later a draft was presented with the objectionable clauses removed, and we then gave our sanction to the instrument."

"There was nothing mysterious about the matter. Numerous papers published at that time the statement that the fraternity had approved the Federal League contract, so that this morning the newspaper of yesterday, with its insinuation, seems somewhat belated and uncalled for."

Arthur Devlin, former Giant, has been practicing at the Polo Grounds at first base, and is seeking a job at that position with the Yankees or some other club in need of a first sacker. Devlin was recently released as manager of the Oakland club, of the Pacific Coast League.

As a collection, Devlin was a star first sacker for the Georgetown variety, and later reversed the usual order of things by next making good at second base, and then becoming a star at third.

In response to many inquiries received at this office, let it be known that Umpire Chill was secured by Ban Johnson from the American Association.

Although reservations have been made at the Driscoll Hotel for two umpires, neither Chill and Sheridan, or Hildebrand and O'Loughlin arrived in Washington up to 2 a. m. this morning. One umpire will officiate in the series with the Yankees which starts today, with the chances favoring us getting O'Loughlin and Hildebrand.

RAIN HALTS CONTEST.

Baltimore, Md., June 28.—The Orioles and the Yanks played an exhibition game today which the rain terminated at the sixth inning when the score was a one-to-one tie. Score:

Baltimore..... 0 1 0 0 0 1 1
New York..... 0 0 0 0 1 1 2

Batteries—Davison and McVey; Pugh and Rogers.

The St. Louis Feds are making a second baseman of Marans. The Cuban has had plenty of experience at both infield and outfield positions since he first came to the United States and he is a capable infielder.

COMPLETE STATISTICS OF THE MAJOR LEAGUES.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

American. Chicago, 2; St. Louis, 1.
Chicago, 5; St. Louis, 2.
Detroit, 6; Cleveland, 4.

National. St. Louis, 6; Chicago, 6.
Chicago, 8; St. Louis, 5.
Cincinnati, 7; Pittsburgh, 6.
Cincinnati, 1; Pittsburgh, 0.

GAMES SCHEDULED TODAY.

Phillies at Boston.
Brooklyn at New York.
Cincinnati at Chicago.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Won. Lost. Pct.

American. Detroit..... 38 24 .614
Cleveland..... 36 26 .577
Chicago..... 35 27 .564
St. Louis..... 34 28 .550
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YOUNG EAGLES WIN.

The Young Eagles defeated the Atlantic Club yesterday in an interesting game on the White Lot, 11 to 5. The feature of the game was the batting and fielding of McDermott and Pyle and the pitching of Keene.

THE PROBABLE LINE-UP.

NATIONALS. Yankees.
Moeller, cf. Mielke, 2b.
Foster, 2b. Truesdale, 2b.
Miska, cf. Peckinpaugh, ss.
Gard, 1b. Holden, cf.
Shank, 1b. Cook, cf.
Morgan, 2b. Daley, 1b.
McBride, ss. Sweeney, c.
Healy, c. Williams, 1b.
Boehling, p. Keating, p.
Engel, p. Caldwell, p.

LONDON SPORTS

MUCH EXCITED

Ritchie-Welsh Fight on July 7 Has Fans Going on Other Side of Big Pond.

THE CHAMPION ARRIVES

English Light-weight Confident of Winning and Little Time Is Lost Signing Articles.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, June 28.—(By cable) To be the scene of the three great boxing contests in England, which come off soon. It is the biggest hall in London, and quite adequate for the great International Horse Show. That has just concluded, and in the center of the arena is the square "ring" in which the world's light-weight champion, Ritchie, will fight Welsh.

Bombardier Wells meets Colin Bell tomorrow. Willie Ritchie and Freddy Welsh clash July 7, and Guinness's eighth engages Georges Carpentier July 16.

Ritchie has captured the Britishers, just as Gunboat Smith did before the international weight, but Ritchie wanted a supply dose on Welsh and on Carpentier, in a lesser degree, so perhaps after all, we are told that Welsh has got the better end of the bargain.

At 2 o'clock on the day of the contest, this is the English light-weight standard and is two pounds over the international weight, but Ritchie wanted it and he got it. In fact, Ritchie, as he is a champion, has got nearly all he wanted. So Welsh, for he likes that the gratification of his ambition was greater than any monetary considerations, which may be so, seeing that he has received \$20,000 during his last American tour and has a longcoming little daughter way out in California.

Freddie Welsh Fit.

Welsh is as fit as a Welsh and willing helpers can make him. At his training camp in South Wales, hard by his native Port Talbot, he has a whole array of sparring partners, and Jim Driscoll has been lending his aid to the Welsh boy. If ever a boxer was fit to fight for honor, glory or money, Welsh is the man. He only scaled 135 pounds when he crossed on the Imperator and there has been no weight-reducing process to go through.

Welsh has been a muscular and muscular-producing work, and under the invigorating influences of his own native climate Freddie is absolutely fit. In all that Ritchie says in answer to the queries about his alleged side-stepping in America is that he is not so much to blame as some people think. Welsh is satisfied now that he has got Ritchie to toe the mark. Why make recriminations? He asks. And there you have an epitome of the prevailing feeling.

UMPIRE ANDERSON

ATTACKED BY FANS

Indianapolis Crowd Mobs Indicator

Handler—Hoofers and Packers Divide Bill.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 28.—The Hoofers and Packers divided a double-header today. Fans were mobbed by the indicator, and the Hoofers were mobbed by the indicator.

The second was a slugfest. Kansas City using three pitchers and losing, 8 to 7. Kalserting was mobbed for twenty hits, but the Packers could not get them at the proper times. Umpire Anderson was attacked by a crowd of fans at the end of the game and a near-riot resulted. Anderson was saved from a beating by members of the Kansas City team.

Kansas City..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 8 2
Indianapolis..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 6 3

Batteries—Cullop, Parris, Stone and Easterly; Kalserting and Rader, Umpire—Meyers, Vascille and Anderson.

TRI-STATE LEAGUE.

Richmond, 2; Troy, 5.

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